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FOR THE SECRETARY FROM ROBERT S. INGERSOLL

I MET WITH ZURHELLEN, MILLER AND OTHERS TO REVIEW PROGRESS ON REDUCTION OF OUR PERSONNEL IN LAOS. GIVEN RECENT ISOLATED BUT OMINOUS SIGNS, I BELIEVE WE SHOULD ACCELERATE REDUCTIONS TO BRING THE MISSION DOWN TO A LEAN BUT OPERABLE SIZE, AND I HAVE SO ORDERED. I ALSO REVIEWED WITH THEM OUR DRAFT RESPONSE TO THE PRESIDENT'S REQUEST FOR A CHRONOLOGY OF DECISION MAKING DURING THE MAYAGUEZ INCIDENT, AND LESSONS TO BE DRAWN THEREFROM.

BILL SAXBE CAME IN. HE IS BACK ON CONSULTATIONS AND NOTES THAT WE ARE NOT HAVING AS MUCH POSITIVE IMPACT ON INDIAN ATTITUDES AS HE WOULD LIKE. BILL HOPES TO PREVENT THE INDIANS FROM KICKING US IN THE PERIOD PRIOR TO THEIR ELECTIONS NEXT FEBRUARY, IN THE HOPE THEY WILL CALM DOWN THEREAFTER. IN THE MEANTIME, HE URGES THAT WASHINGTON SECRET

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CURB ANY KNEEJERK INCLINATION TO BE OVERLY GENEROUS TO

INDIA. WE SHOULD BE PLAYING IT COOL AND HARD TO GET.

I HAD LUNCHEON WITH FRED DENT PRIOR TO HIS DEPARTURE THIS EVENING FOR A ROUND OF SOUNDINGS IN WEST EUROPEAN CAPITALS. HE WILL ALSO VISIT JAPAN IN MID-JUNE TO CHECK REPORTS THAT THE GOJ, DESPITE BRAVE TALK IN RECENT MONTHS, HAS NOW DECIDED NOT TO GET OUT FRONT ON TRADE LIBERALIZATION MEASURES IN GENEVA. FRED IS PICKING UP THE KIND OF CONGRESSIONAL HOSTILITY TO LIBERALIZED TRADE THAT I ENCOUNTERED BEFORE THE GREEN SUBCOMMITTEE. FRED EXPRESSED CONCERN ABOUT OUR POLICY ON COMMODITY AGREEMENTS, BELIEVING THAT WE MUST BE CAREFUL NOT TO DISPLACE THE MARKET SYSTEM WHICH BASICALLY SERVES US QUITE WELL.

OUR AMBASSADOR TO BULGARIA, MARTIN HERZ, SUGGESTED TO ME THAT, ALTHOUGH BULGARIA IS APPROPRIATELY LOW ON OUR PRIORITIES LIST IN EASTERN EUROPE, WE SHOULD PURSUE TRADE OPPORTUNITIES AND PERHAPS CONCLUDE A CULTURAL AGREEMENT WHICH WOULD PERMIT SOME MODEST EXCHANGES.

ALSO DURING THE DAY: LARGE STAFF MEETING; CALL BY OUR AMBASSADOR TO TOGO, NANCY RAWLS; PREPARATIONS FOR MEETING TOMORROW TO DISCUSS NUCLEAR SUPPLY QUESTIONS WITH SENATORS RIBICOFF, SYMINGTON, PERCY, GLENN AND PASTORE (AT THEIR REQUEST).

TOMORROW: ADDRESS EXECUTIVES-DIPLOMATS SEMINAR AND GREET PRESIDENT SENGHOR.

FROM T - CARL MAW

AFTER SMALL GROUP, I REVIEWED LAW OF THE SEA MATTERS WITH GEORGE ALDRICH.

TOM CLINGAN, JOHN NORTON MOORE AND I CALLED ON SENATORS PELL AND MAGNUSON AND BRIEFED THEM ON THE LAW OF THE SEA CONFERENCE. WITH SENATOR PELL, WE DISCUSSED NEXT WEEK'S HEARING BEFORE THE SENATE FOREIGN RELATIONS COMMITTEE WITH AMBASSADORS STEVENSON AND MOORE AND THE INTERIM FISHERIES LEGISLATION. HE INDICATED MEMBERS OF SECRET

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HIS STAFF WOULD WORK WITH US IN REASSESSING OUR POSITION. WITH SENATOR MAGNUSON, WE DISCUSSED THE INTERIM FISHERIES PROBLEM, AND HE EMPHASIZED THE DEPLETION OF OUR STOCKS. WE WILL ALSO WORK WITH HIS STAFF IN TRYING TO FIND A BILL THAT WILL SATISFY BOTH OUR DESIRE TO FOSTER MULTILATERAL NEGOTIATIONS AND HIS DESIRE TO PROTECT FISHERIES OFF THE U.S. COAST.

REVIEWED HUMAN RIGHTS AND SECURITY ASSISTANCE MATTERS WITH MESSRS. MC CLOSKEY, LEIGH, GLEYSTEEN, STERN, LEURS, SIRKIN AND AUSTIN.

## FROM EAGLEBURGER

I FORWARDED TO BOB INGERSOLL FOR HIS SIGNATURE: (A) AN AUTHORIZATION TO TREASURY TO STATION A FINANCIAL ATTACHE IN JIDDA ON CONDITION THEY REPROGRAM ELSEWHERE, AND (B) AN NSC UNDER SECRETARIES' COMMITTEE MEMO REDUCING USG OVERSEAS PERSONNEL CEILINGS FOR ALL AGENCIES (INCLUDING STATE) BY THE NUMBER OF POSITIONS TAKEN OUT OF SOUTHEAST ASIA.

THE CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION RETURNED TO US, TODAY, OUR AUTHORITY TO APPOINT OUR OWN EXPERTS AND CONSULTANTS.

BILL SCHAUFELE AND I TALKED ABOUT THE OPERATION OF THE INSPECTION CORPS. HIS GENERAL CONCLUSION IS THAT IT HAS FALLEN SHORT DURING THE PAST COUPLE OF YEARS IN FUNCTIONING AS AN EFFECTIVE MANAGEMENT TOOL. HE IS DOING AN INTERNAL EXAMINATION AND WE WILL LOOK AT SOME MORE DEFINITE POSSIBILITIES AFTER THAT IS COMPLETED. I GAVE HIM AN ASSURANCE OF PRIORITY ON HIGHLY QUALIFIED PEOPLE.

I HAD A TALK WITH SOME JUNIOR FSOS ABOUT REINSTATING A JUNIOR OFFICER TRAINING PROGRAM. INGERSOLL

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